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General Assembly

Committee on Information
Thirty-fifth session

10:00 to 13:00	2nd meeting	Conference Room 2 (NLB)
15:00 to 18:00	3rd meeting	Conference Room 2 (NLB)

General debate [item 7]

Consideration of reports submitted by the Secretary-General [item 8]

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General Assembly
Sixty-seventh session

An informal informal meeting of the plenary to define the format and organizational aspects of the high-level political forum on sustainable development will be held *today*, 23 April 2013, at 10:00, in Conference Room 7 (NLB). A letter from the co-facilitators, dated 18 April 2013, was sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers.

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Security Council

The Security Council will hold an open debate on Wednesday, 24 April 2013, in the Security Council Chamber Room GA-TSC-01, in connection with the agenda item "The situation in the Middle East, including the Palestinian question".

Member States wishing to inscribe their names on the list of speakers should contact the Secretariat (e-mail dpa-scsb3@un.org; or fax 1 (917) 367-0406). Delegations are kindly requested to limit their statements to no more than *four minutes*. Delegations are reminded that the list of speakers will not be available by telephone, but only in hard copy in the Chamber, shortly before the beginning of the meeting.

General Assembly
Sixty-seventh session

A thematic debate entitled "Peaceful resolution of conflicts in Africa" will be held on Thursday, 25 April 2013, at 10:00 and 15:00, in Conference Room 3 (NLB). A letter from the President of the General Assembly, dated 26 February 2013, was sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers.

General Assembly

Ad Hoc Working Group of the Whole of the Regular Process for Global Reporting and Assessment of the State of the Marine Environment, including Socioeconomic Aspects
Fourth meeting

10:00 to 13:00	Open meeting	Conference Room 1 (NLB)
	Format of the first global integrated marine assessment of the Regular Process [item 7]	
15:00 to 18:00	Open meeting	Conference Room 1 (NLB)
	Communication requirements and data and information management of the Regular Process, including the status of the website of the Regular Process [item 8]	

Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions

10:00 to 13:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room 10 (NLB)
15:00 to 18:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room 10 (NLB)

1. Support account
2. Executive meeting

Economic and Social Council

Special meeting on "External debt sustainability and development: Lessons learned from debt crises and ongoing work on sovereign debt restructuring and debt resolution mechanisms"

10:00 to 13:00 — 8th meeting [webcast] — Economic and Social Council Chamber (CB)

1. Opening of the meeting

   Opening remarks by the President of the Economic and Social Council, His Excellency Néstor Osorio (Colombia)

   Statement by the Secretary-General of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development, Mr. Supachai Panitchpakdi

   Statement by the Assistant Secretary-General for Economic Development of the Department of Economic and Social Affairs, Ms. Shamshad Akhtar

2. Panel discussion

   Presentations on "Lessons learned from the history of debt crises"

   Mr. Jeffrey Lewis, Senior Adviser and Head of the International Policy and Partnerships Group, Poverty Reduction and Economic Management Network, World Bank

   Mr. Christoph Paulus, Professor, Humboldt University, Berlin

   Presentations on "Ongoing work on sovereign debt restructuring and debt resolution mechanisms"

   Ms. Yuefen Li, Head, Debt and Development Branch, United Nations Conference on Trade and Development

   Ms. Benu Schneider, Senior Economic Affairs Officer, Financing for Development Office, Department of Economic and Social Affairs

   Interactive discussion

15:00 to 18:00 — 9th meeting [webcast] — Economic and Social Council Chamber (CB)

1. Keynote address on "Gaps in legal and institutional structures for debt restructuring" by the Professor Joseph Stiglitz, University Professor, Columbia University, and recipient of the 2001 Nobel Memorial Prize in Economic Sciences

2. Panel discussion on "The architecture for debt restructuring"

   Presentations by:

   Mr. Sergio Chodos, Executive Director, International Monetary Fund

   Mr. Hans Humes, Chair and Chief Executive Director, Greylock Capital Management, LLC

   Ms. Deborah Zandstra, Partner, Sovereign Debt Restructuring Group, Clifford Chance, London

   Mr. Lee Buchheit, Partner, Cleary Gottlieb Steen and Hamilton LLP, New York

   Mr. James Haley, Executive Director, Inter-American Development Bank

   Interactive discussion

3. Concluding remarks by the President of the Economic and Social Council, His Excellency Néstor Osorio (Colombia)

[For further information relating to the special meeting, please *click here*.]

Commission on Population and Development
Forty-sixth session

10:00 to 13:00 — 4th meeting [webcast] — Conference Room 4 (NLB)

General debate on national experience in population matters: new trends in migration — demographic aspects (E/CN.9/2013/NGO/1, E/CN.9/2013/NGO/2, E/CN.9/2013/NGO/3, E/CN.9/2013/NGO/4, E/CN.9/2013/NGO/5, E/CN.9/2013/NGO/6, E/CN.9/2013/NGO/7 and E/CN.9/2013/NGO/8) [item 4]

General discussion

Panel discussion on "Migration and development"

15:00 to 18:00 — 5th meeting [webcast] — Conference Room 4 (NLB)

General debate on national experience in population matters: new trends in migration — demographic aspects (E/CN.9/2013/NGO/1, E/CN.9/2013/NGO/2, E/CN.9/2013/NGO/3, E/CN.9/2013/NGO/4, E/CN.9/2013/NGO/5, E/CN.9/2013/NGO/6, E/CN.9/2013/NGO/7 and E/CN.9/2013/NGO/8) [item 4]

Continuation of general discussion

[Informal consultations (closed) on the draft proposals of the Commission on Population and Development, convened by the Vice-Chair, Mr. Eduardo Jose Atienza De Vega (Philippines), on behalf of the Chair, will be held *today*, 23 April 2013, from 10:30 to 13:00 and from 15:00 to 18:00, in Conference Room 5 (NLB).]

[The session is served in a PaperSmart manner. The official documentation of the Commission is available electronically via the PaperSmart Portal in all official languages. Delegations wishing to be inscribed on the list of speakers are kindly requested to contact the secretariat of the Commission (Mr. Dino Del Vasto (e-mail del-vasto@un.org; fax 1 (212) 963-3505)). In accordance with the practice at recent sessions of the Commission, the suggested time limit for national statements is *seven minutes*, while that for statements on behalf of groups of States is *ten minutes*. Delegations are requested to submit electronic versions of their statements to papersmart1@un.org, as soon as available, and at least two hours in advance of their designated speaking slot. The statements will remain embargoed until delivery, after which they will be available to the public on the Portal.]

[Members of the Commission and observers are kindly requested to communicate the composition of their delegations to the Secretary of the Commission, Ms. Emer Herity (e-mail herity@un.org; room S-3064; fax 1 (212) 963-5305). Please note that only scanned copies of notes verbales will be accepted by e-mail.]

[The list of side events on the occasion of the session can be consulted by *clicking here*.]

Economic and Social Council

Special policy dialogue on "The role of philanthropic organizations in the post-2015 setting" [webcast]

An informal special policy dialogue on "The role of philanthropic organizations in the post-2015 setting", in preparation for the biennial Development Cooperation Forum (DCF) during the 2014 substantive session of the Economic and Social Council, will take place *today*, 23 April 2013, from 10:00 to 13:00 and from 15:00 to 17:30, in Conference Room 3 (NLB).

There will be three interactive panel discussions, moderated by Mr. Matthew Bishop, US Business Editor and Chief, New York Bureau of *The Economist*. The first panel discussion (from 10:15 to 11:30) will focus on the topic "Taking stock and leveraging experiences of philanthropic organizations to address global development challenges". The second panel (from 11:30 to 13:00) will explore "Innovations in philanthropy: How to scale them up and contribute to national development priorities?". The third panel discussion (from 15:00 to 17:15) will address the role of "Philanthropic organizations and development partnerships post-2015". Speakers will include senior representatives of leading private philanthropic organizations, think tanks and other stakeholders. For detailed background information, please *click here*.

All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact the Office for Economic and Social Council Support and Coordination (Ms. Doris Schmitz-Meiners (e-mail schmitz-meiners@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-4946); or Mr. Thomas Boehler; (e-mail boehler@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-9452)).

Other meetings

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Tuesday, 23 April 2013

Group of 77 (on the Commission on Population and Development)

09:00 to 11:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room D (CB)

Group of 77 (on the humanitarian affairs segment of the substantive session of the Economic and Social Council)

13:15 to 14:30	Closed meeting	Conference Room 7 (NLB)

International Criminal Court: New York Working Group of the Assembly of States Parties (omnibus resolution)

10:00 to 11:30	Closed meeting	Conference Room 6 (NLB)

Consultations *with the Western European and Other States Group* (on the 2013 report of the Secretary-General on the responsibility to protect) (co-organized by the Chairs of the regional groups, the Office on Genocide Prevention and the Responsibility to Protect and the Global Centre for the Responsibility to Protect)

12:00 to 14:00 Closed meeting Conference Room 6 (NLB)

African Group (at the ambassadorial level) (negotiations *with all Member States* on the draft political declaration on the peaceful resolution of conflicts in Africa)

13:15 to 14:30 Closed meeting Conference Room 1 (NLB)

Arab Group (at the ambassadorial level)

15:00 to 18:00 Closed meeting *Conference Room 7 (NLB)*

Non-Aligned Movement (informal meeting with members of the Special Committee on Peacekeeping Operations (C-34) on the draft decision on the working methods of the Special Committee, proposed by the Non-Aligned Movement)

15:00 to 18:00 Closed meeting Conference Room E (NLB)

Other activities

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Tuesday, 23 April 2013

UNITAR orientation course for new members of permanent missions on the work of the United Nations

From 10:00 to 13:00 and from 15:00 to 18:00, in Conference Room A (CB).

[All permanent missions and permanent observer missions are invited to attend. For registration, please *click here*. For further information, please contact the UNITAR New York Office (e-mail nyo@unitar.org).]

Training for delegates from least developed countries on the use of the new Support Measures Portal for Least Developed Countries (www.un.org/ldcportal) (organized by the Development Policy Analysis Division, Department of Economic and Social Affairs (DESA))

From 13:00 to 15:00, in Conference Room S-2723 (Secretariat Building).

[All delegates from least developed countries invited to attend and kindly requested to bring their own laptop (if possible) to allow for interactive training activities. For further information, please contact Ms. Katherine McHenry, DESA (e-mail mchenry@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-6430).]

Round table on "Strengthening partnerships and cooperation on international migration, mechanisms to effectively integrate migration into development policies, and promote coherence at all levels" (in preparation for the 2013 High-level Dialogue on International Migration and Development) (co-organized by the International Organization for Migration (IOM), the Department of Economic and Social Affairs (DESA) and the United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA), in collaboration with the Permanent Missions of South Africa and Sweden)

From 13:15 to 14:30, in Conference Room 4 (NLB). [webcast]

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Evelien Borgman, IOM (e-mail eborgman@iom.int); or *click here*.]

Launch of the *Economic Report on Africa 2013* (co-organized by the Office of the Permanent Observer of the African Union to the United Nations, the Economic Commission for Africa (ECA), the Department of Public Information (DPI) and the Office of the Special Adviser on Africa (OSAA))

From 15:00 to 17:00, in Conference Room 6 (NLB). [webcast]

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Mr. François Charlier, OSAA (e-mail charlier@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-0359).]

Press conferences

The schedule is tentative; up-to-date information can be obtained at www.un.org/sg/spokesperson/confschedule.asp.

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Dag Hammarskjöld Library Auditorium [webcast]

10:00 Mr. Scott Malcomson, Director of Communications, International Crisis Group (ICG); and Ms. Comfort Ero, Director of ICG's Africa Programme (on the launch of the International Crisis Group report on Mali) [sponsored by the Permanent Mission of Switzerland]

12:00 Press briefing by the Spokesperson [*Speakers:* Mr. John Wilmoth, Director of the Population Division, Department of Economic and Social Affairs (DESA); and Professor Graeme Hugo, Director, Australian Population and Migration Research Centre, University of Adelaide]

Forthcoming official meetings

General Assembly

Sixty-seventh session

Announcements

The agenda of the sixty-seventh regular session of the General Assembly is contained in document A/67/251 (see document A/67/252* for the allocation of items). Annotations can be found in document A/67/100 and A/67/100/Add.1.

The following agenda items remain for consideration during the sixty-seventh session, apart from organizational matters and items that may have to be considered by operation of the rules of procedure of the Assembly: items 9, 11, 13 to 15, 20 (a) and (h), 30, 31, 33 to 37, 39, 40, 42 to 48, 54, 56, 60, 63 (a) and (b), 70 (a) to (c), 74, 94 (b), 106, 107, 110 (a) and (b), 111 (f) and (h), 112, 113, 115 to 117, 118 (a) and (b), 119, 120, 121 (a), (b), (g), (i), (p), (q), (r), (s) and (v), 122, 124 to 126, 128 (a) to (r), 129 to 157, 158 (a) and (b), and 159 to 164.

Please note that there is no predetermined programme of work for formal and informal meetings of the plenary for the resumed part of the session (1 January–16 September 2013). Meetings will be announced in the *Journal* when they are scheduled. For inscription on the list of speakers, please call 1 (212) 963-5063 (room S-3082). A tentative schedule of General Assembly meetings is also available at the following address: www.un.org/en/ga/info/meetings/67schedule.shtml.

For the submission of a draft resolution for the plenary, please call 1 (212) 963-3818 (room S-3053). Please *click here* for the guidelines for submission of draft resolutions in the General Assembly.

Security Council

Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1373 (2001) concerning counter-terrorism

Open briefing

The Chair of the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1373 (2001) concerning counter-terrorism, His Excellency Mohammed Loulichki (Morocco), and the Executive Director of the Counter-Terrorism Committee Executive Directorate (CTED), Mr. Mike Smith, will hold a briefing to interested Member States on the Committee's revised documents and procedures for assessing Member States' implementation efforts of Security Council resolutions 1373 (2001) and 1624 (2005). The briefing will take place on Thursday, 2 May 2013, from 15:00 to 18:00, in Conference Room 4 (NLB).

General Assembly

Committee on Conferences

Organizational session for 2013

The organizational session for 2013 of the Committee on Conferences will be held on Monday, 29 April 2013, at 15:00, in Conference Room 5 (NLB), to elect the Bureau for 2013 and to adopt the annotated provisional agenda, contained in document A/AC.172/2013/L.1. For all relevant documents of the Committee please *click here*.

In accordance with the procedure established by the Committee on Conferences at its 423rd meeting, on 1 September 1999, as reflected in paragraphs 172 to 175 of A/54/32, and amended in paragraph 10 of A/56/32, non-members who wish to participate as observers in the organizational session are invited to send a request in writing to Ms. Liya Zhang, Secretary of the Committee on Conferences (e-mail zhangl@un.org).

Committee on Relations with the Host Country

The 261st meeting (closed) of the Committee on Relations with the Host Country will be held on Tuesday, 30 April 2013, at 11:00, in Conference Room 4 (NLB). Delegations of Member States and observers that wish to attend as observers should indicate their desire to do so in advance to the Secretary of the Committee, Mr. Surya Sinha (e-mail sinha1@un.org; room S-3633; fax 1 (212) 963-6430). The meeting will not be open to members of the press or the public. Delegations of Member States are reminded that while any matter pertinent to the work of the Committee may be raised from the floor, they are encouraged, in accordance with the decision of the Committee adopted at its 164th meeting in March 1994, to request the formal inscription, at least 48 hours prior to the meeting, of specific items they would like to raise, keeping in mind the detailed list of topics adopted by the Committee in 1982 (see document A/50/26, paragraph 5). Delegations are further encouraged to submit to the Secretary of the Committee any relevant documentation or written statements in advance of the meeting.

Committee on Contributions

Seventy-third session

The Committee on Contributions will hold its seventy-third session at Headquarters from Monday, 3, to Friday, 21 June 2013.

The attention of any Member States intending to request an exemption under Article 19 of the Charter of the United Nations is drawn to the provisions of General Assembly resolution 54/237 C, in which the Assembly, *inter alia*, urges such Member States to provide the fullest possible supporting information.

The Assembly also decided that requests for exemption under Article 19 must be submitted by Member States at least two weeks before the session of the Committee on Contributions, so as to ensure a full review of the requests. Accordingly, any such requests should be received by the President of the General Assembly, *no later than Friday, 17 May 2013*. For further information, kindly contact the Secretary of the Committee (tel. 1 (212) 963-5306; room FF-610 (304 East 45th Street); fax 1 (212) 963-1943).

The Committee on Contributions will also be considering multi-year payment plans submitted pursuant to General Assembly resolution 57/4 B, as reaffirmed in resolution 64/248. Any Member States intending to submit such a plan are invited to contact the Secretary of the Committee for further information.

United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women (UN-Women)

Executive Board
Informal consultation

The Executive Board of the United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women will hold an informal consultation on the progress made on the strategic plan, on Wednesday, 24 April 2013, from 15:00 to 17:00, in Conference Room D (CB).

Economic and Social Council

Informal special event on "Partnering for innovative solutions for sustainable development"

A special event of the Economic and Social Council on "Partnering for innovative solutions for sustainable development" will be held on Wednesday, 24 April 2013, from 10:00 to 13:00 and from 15:00 to 18:00, in the Economic and Social Council Chamber (CB), as well as in Conference Rooms 3, 5 and 6 (NLB) from 15:00 to 17:00. The meeting is organized by the Department of Economic and Social Affairs, in collaboration with the World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO), the International Telecommunication Union (ITU), the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO), the United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF), the United Nations Global Compact, the United Nations Office for Partnerships (UNOP) and the Global Partnerships Forum.

The Partnerships Forum will be chaired by the President of the Council, His Excellency Néstor Osorio (Colombia). The Secretary-General of the United Nations, His Excellency Ban Ki-moon, and the Chair of the Mo Ibrahim Foundation, Dr. Mo Ibrahim, will deliver opening addresses. Following the opening, two consecutive policy dialogues will take place, which will be moderated by Mr. Ali Velshi, Host, Al Jazeera America. The first policy dialogue will focus on "Partnerships for sustainability" (from 10:30 to 11:45, in the Economic and Social Council Chamber) and the second policy dialogue will focus on "The changing face of technology and innovation" (from 11:45 to 13:00, in the Economic and Social Council Chamber (CB)). The Minister of Development Cooperation of Denmark, His Excellency Christian Friis Bach, will participate as a speaker in the first dialogue.

From 15:00 to 17:00, four "Partnerships Clinics" will be held in parallel, as follows:

Clinic 1: "Innovative partnerships to address research and treatments for neglected tropical diseases (NTDs)" (Economic and Social Council Chamber (CB));

Clinic 2: "Mobiles for midwives: An innovative approach for better health information systems" (Conference Room 6 (NLB));

Clinic 3: "Innovation and technology: Development and dissemination of innovative design solutions to address extreme poverty" (Conference Room 5 (NLB)); and

Clinic 4: "Breaking barriers: Innovative partnerships creating exponential change in access to quality learning" (Conference Room 3 (NLB)).

The closing session will feature addresses by Mr. Wu Hongbo, Under-Secretary-General for Economic and Social Affairs; and His Excellency Néstor Osorio (Colombia), President of the Council, and will be held from 17:30 to 18:00, in the Economic and Social Council Chamber (CB).

All are invited to attend. For additional information on the event, please click here; or contact Mr. Ajit Yogasundram (e-mail yogasundram@un.org). Please note that it will be possible to join the discussion on the day of the event on Twitter, using hashtag #InnovateYourFuture.

Resumed organizational session for 2013

The Economic and Social Council will hold elections to fill vacancies in the membership of its subsidiary bodies on Thursday, 25, and Friday, 26 April 2013. The agenda for the session is contained in document E/2013/2/Add.1.

Delegations wishing to propose candidates for election are kindly reminded to address their correspondence to the ECOSOC Affairs Branch, with a copy to Ms. Radhika Ochalik (e-mail ochalik@un.org) and Ms. Celia Syyap (e-mail syyap@un.org).

The Chairs of the regional groups for the current month are kindly invited to inform the Secretariat of candidatures which may be forthcoming from their groups. A list of candidates for the election, as well as supporting documentation, can be consulted on Candiweb by *clicking here*.

Committee for Programme and Coordination
Fifty-third session
Organizational session

The organizational session of the fifty-third session of the Committee for Programme and Coordination will be held on Thursday, 25 April 2013, at 15:00, in Conference Room 5 (NLB), for the purpose of electing its Bureau.

The Committee will also have before it the annotated provisional agenda for the session (E/AC.51/2013/1), the note by the Secretariat on the status of preparedness of documentation (E/AC.51/2013/L.1) and the note by the Secretariat on the list of reports of the Joint Inspection Unit (E/AC.51/2013/L.2).

Further information on the Committee for Programme and Coordination is available at www.un.org/en/ga/cpc/.

Members of the Committee wishing to attend the session are kindly requested to communicate, in a note verbale of their permanent mission to the United Nations in New York, the composition of their delegations to the Secretary of the Committee for Programme and Coordination, Ms. Sharon Van Buerle (e-mail cpc@un.org; room S-3241; fax 1 (212) 963-0360). Please note that only scanned copies of the note verbale will be accepted by e-mail.

Member States that are not members of the Committee and would like to participate as observers are also requested to communicate, in a note verbale of their permanent mission to the United Nations in New York, the composition of their delegations to the secretariat well in advance of the scheduled organizational session.

Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations
Informal consultations

The Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations will hold informal consultations to discuss organizational matters, on Monday, 29 April 2013, from 10:00 to 13:00, in Conference Room 5 (NLB), and from 15:00 to 18:00, in Conference Room 4 (NLB); and on Tuesday, 30 April, from 10:00 to 13:00 and from 15:00 to 18:00, in Conference Room B (CB). All members of the Committee are strongly encouraged to attend. Participation in the informal consultations is open to members of the Committee only.

Executive Board of the United Nations Development Programme, the United Nations Population Fund and the United Nations Office for Project Services
Informal consultations

The Executive Board of the United Nations Development Programme, the United Nations Population Fund and the United Nations Office for Project Services will hold informal consultations, as indicated below. Interested delegations are invited to attend.

Tuesday, 30 April 2013, from 11:00 to 12:30, in Conference Room 6 (NLB): on the UNDP country programme document for Egypt;

Tuesday, 21 May 2013, from 15:00 to 16:30, in Conference Room 6 (NLB): on the UNDP evaluation of the strategic plan 2008-2013; and management response;

Friday, 24 May 2013, from 10:00 to 11:30, in Conference Room 6 (NLB): on the UNDP evaluation of the annual report on evaluation and management response;

Tuesday, 28 May 2013, from 15:00 to 18:00, in the Economic and Social Chamber (CB): on the UNDP evaluation of the global programme and the management response; the evaluation of the regional programme for Africa and the management response; the evaluation of the regional programme for Arab States and the management response; the evaluation of the regional programme for Asia and the Pacific States and management response; the evaluation of the regional programme for Europe and the Commonwealth of Independent States and the management response; and the evaluation of the regional programme for Latin America and the Caribbean States and the management response; and

Wednesday, 29 May 2013, from 11:30 to 13:00, in Conference Room 2 (NLB): on the evaluation of the UNDP contribution to South-South and triangular cooperation (2008-2011) and management response.

Forthcoming informal consultations on draft proposals convened by permanent missions

The agenda of the sixty-seventh session of the General Assembly is contained in documents A/67/251 and A/67/252. The meetings under this header are closed.*

General Assembly

Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Sanitation for all" (under agenda item 14) (convened by the Permanent Mission of Singapore)

Wednesday, 24 April 2013, from 13:15 to 14:30, at the Permanent Mission of Singapore (231 East 51st Street).

Informal consultations with all Member States on the draft resolution entitled "Reliable and stable transit of energy and its role in ensuring sustainable development and international cooperation" (under agenda item 20) (convened by the Permanent Mission of Turkmenistan)

Thursday, 25 April 2013, from 15:00 to 18:00, in Conference Room C (CB); and

Tuesday, 30 April 2013, from 15:00 to 18:00, in Conference Room C (CB).

Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Multilingualism" (under agenda item 120) (convened by the Permanent Mission of Senegal)

Friday, 26 April 2013, from 15:00 to 18:00, in Conference Room 6 (NLB).

Forthcoming other meetings

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African Group (Fifth Committee experts)

Wednesday, 24 April 2013, from 10:00 to 13:00, in Conference Room E (NLB).

Asia-Pacific Group (at the ambassadorial level) (briefing by Qatar)

Thursday, 25 April 2013, from 11.00 to 13:00, in Conference Room 5 (NLB).

Asia-Pacific Group (at the ambassadorial level) (monthly meeting)

Friday, 26 April 2013, from 15.00 to 18:00, in Conference Room 3 (NLB).

International Criminal Court: Assembly of States Parties

Thursday, 25 April 2013, from 13:15 to 14:30, in Conference Room 6 (NLB).

International Criminal Court: Bureau of the Assembly of States Parties

Friday, 26 April 2013, from 08:45 to 09:30, in Conference Room 6 (NLB).

Arab Group (at the expert level)

Thursday, 25 April 2013, from 15:00 to 18:00, in Conference Room 6 (NLB).

Eastern European Group (at the expert level)

Friday, 26 April 2013, at 10:00, in Conference Room A (CB).

Consultations with the *Eastern European Group* (on the 2013 report of the Secretary-General on the responsibility to protect) (co-organized by the Chairs of the regional groups, the Office on Genocide Prevention and the Responsibility to Protect and the Global Centre for the Responsibility to Protect)

Friday, 26 April 2013, from 10:45 to 13:00, in Conference Room A (CB).

Group of Latin American and Caribbean States (monthly meeting)

Monday, 29 April 2013, at 10:00, in Conference Room 3 (NLB).

Forthcoming other activities

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Experts meeting on "Rights in crisis" — Promoting human rights in financial regulation and macroeconomic policies" (organized by the Office of United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights)

Wednesday, 24 April 2013, from 10:00 to 13:00, in Conference Room 7 (NLB); and from 15:00 to 18:00, at the Dag Hammarskjöld Library Auditorium.

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Mr. Nouhoum Sangare, OHCHR (e-mail sangaren@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-6136).]

Special event — "A tribute to Oscar Niemeyer and the United Nations Board of Design" (co-organized by the Office of the President of the General Assembly and the Permanent Mission of Brazil, with the support of the Department of Public Information (DPI))

Wednesday, 24 April 2013, from 17:00 to 18:00, in the General Assembly Hall.

[All permanent missions and permanent observer missions are invited to attend. For further information please contact Ms. Jayashri Wyatt, DPI (e-mail wyatt@un.org).]

Special event on the occasion of the International Jazz Day (30 April) — Jazz: A language for peace (a concert by the Brubeck Institute Jazz Quintet) (organized by the Department of Public Information (DPI), in collaboration with the Brubeck Institute at the University of the Pacific)

Wednesday, 24 April 2013, from 18:30 to 20:00, in Conference Room 2 (NLB).

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Jayashri Wyatt, DPI (e-mail wyatt@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-3911). For registration, please send an e-mail to committeeoninformation@un.org.]

Briefing for Member States and Permanent Observers on "Activities of the Counter-Terrorism Implementation Task Force (CTITF)" (at the ambassadorial level) (organized by CTITF, Department of Political Affairs)

Friday, 26 April 2013, from 10:30 to 12:30, in Conference Room 3 (NLB).

[For further information, please contact Ms. Mary Anne Cruz, CTITF (e-mail cruz14@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-0541).]

Briefing for Member States and Permanent Observers on "The Secretary-General's Five-year Action Agenda, pursuant to resolution 51/1 of the Commission for Social Development, entitled 'Policies and programmes involving youth'" (co-organized by the Department for Social and Economic Affairs (DESA), the United Nations Volunteers (UNV) programme and the Office of the Envoy of the Secretary-General on Youth)

Monday, 29 April 2013, from 10:00 to 12:00, in the Economic and Social Council Chamber (CB).

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Anke Green, DESA (e-mail green@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-9650).]

UNITAR/OLA seminar on "Repression of piracy on the oceans and seas: An international legal framework" (co-organized by the UNITAR New York Office and the Division for Ocean Affairs and Law of the Sea, Office of Legal Affairs (OLA))

Monday, 29 April 2013, from 10:00 to 13:00 and from 15:00 to 17:00, in Conference Room A (CB).

[All permanent missions and permanent observer missions are invited to attend. For registration, please *click here*. For further information, please contact the UNITAR New York Office (e-mail nyo@unitar.org).]

Briefing on "The present and future of renewable energy" (by the secretariat of the Renewable Energy Policy Network for the Twenty-First Century (REN21)) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Germany, in collaboration with the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP))

Monday, 29 April 2013, from 13:15 to 14:30, in Conference Room 6 (NLB).

[All are invited to attend. For more information, please contact Mr. Andreas Pfaffernoschke, Permanent Mission of Germany (e-mail wi-4-1-vn@newy.diplo.de; or Mr. Jim Sniffen, UNEP (e-mail sniffenj@un.org).]

Special events on the occasion of World Press Freedom Day (3 May) (co-organized by the Permanent Missions of Costa Rica and Greece, in partnership with the United Nations Educational, Cultural and Scientific Organization (UNESCO))

Screening of the film "Which Way is the Front Line from Here? The Life and Time of Tim Hetherington", followed by a panel discussion on "United Nations Plan of Action on the Safety of Journalists and the Issue of Impunity"

Thursday, 2 May 2013, from 15:00 to 18:00, in Conference Room 1 (NLB).

[All are invited to attend. For registration and further information, please contact Ms. Suzanne Bilello, UNESCO Liaison Office to the United Nations (e-mail bilello@un.org).]

High-level event on "Human security" (organized by the Human Security Unit, Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (OCHA) and co-sponsored by the Member States of the Human Security Network (Austria, Chile, Costa Rica, Greece, Ireland, Jordan, Mali, Norway, Panama, Slovenia, Switzerland and Thailand, with South Africa as an observer) and the Permanent Missions of Honduras, Japan and Mexico)

Wednesday, 8 May 2013, from 15:00 to 18:00, in the Economic and Social Council Chamber (CB).

[Addresses will be made by the Secretary-General and the Deputy Secretary-General, and a panel discussion will be held on the implementation of human security. All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Guyatri James, Human Security Unit (e-mail jamesg@un.org); or *click here*.]

Announcements

Training for delegates and staff of permanent missions

The Dag Hammarskjöld Library will conduct the following training for delegates and staff of permanent missions in room DC2-1142 (unless otherwise indicated), in English (French and Spanish), on the dates indicated below. All interested are kindly requested to register by accessing the Library Training Calendar (*click here*); or by telephone (1 (212) 963-5321).

News e-resources for the United Nations community (from 10:00 to 12:00)

Today, 23 April 2013.

Introduction to United Nations documents

Wednesday, 24 April 2013 (from 10:00 to 12:00) (*in French*);

Wednesday, 8 May 2013 (from 14:00 to 16:00) (*in English*);

Wednesday, 15 May 2013 (from 14:00 to 16:00) (*in Spanish*); and

Tuesday, 28 May 2013 (from 10:00 to 12:00) (*in English*).

Overview of the Dag Hammarskjöld Library resources and databases (from 10:00 to 12:00)

Thursday, 25 April 2013; and

Thursday, 9 May 2013.

Overview of the Legal Library (from 15:30 to 16:30)

Tuesday, 14 May 2013.

RSS feeds (from 10:00 to 12:00)

Friday, 17 May 2013.

Advanced research using subscription e-resources (from 10:00 to 12:00)

Tuesday, 21 May 2013

Security Council documentation (from 10:00 to 12:00)

Thursday, 23 May 2013.

United Nations Disarmament Fellowship, Training and Advisory Services Programme

Member States are reminded that the deadline for submission of nominations to the 2013 Fellowship Programme is *Tuesday, 30 April 2013* (Note Verbale ODA/28-2013/FP dated 28 February 2013 refers). Nomination form and other attachments can be found at www.un.org/disarmament/fellowship/. Only one nomination per Member State may be submitted and should be addressed to: The Coordinator, United Nations Disarmament Fellowship, Training and Advisory Services Programme, Office for Disarmament Affairs, United Nations Headquarters, Room S-3159, New York, N.Y. 10017.

Reports of the Secretary-General on disarmament items to be submitted to the sixty-eighth session of the General Assembly

The Office for Disarmament Affairs would be grateful if Member States could communicate to the Office, in hard copy and electronic version (word format), the relevant data and information, pursuant to the General Assembly resolutions indicated below, by *Tuesday, 30 April 2013,* so as to facilitate issuance of the reports in time for consideration by the General Assembly at its sixty-eighth session. Provision of the submission in Microsoft word format *is required.* Kindly send the electronic version to Ms. Jenny Fuchs (fuchs@un.org).

Resolution 67/40, paras. 6 and 7, entitled "Relationship between disarmament and development", adopted on 3 December 2012 (Note verbale ODA/03-2013/D&D dated 18 March 2013 refers);

Resolution 67/49, paras. 2 and 4, entitled "Information on confidence building measures in the field of conventional arms", adopted on 3 December 2012 (Note Verbale ODA/24-2013/ICBM dated 18 March 2013 refers); and

Resolution 67/62, para. 3, entitled "Conventional arms control at the regional and subregional levels", adopted on 3 December 2012 (Note verbale ODA/23-2013/CAC dated 18 March 2013 refers).

The Office for Disarmament Affairs would also be grateful to receive, on-line through www.un.org/disarmament/convarms/Milex/, by *Tuesday, 30 April 2013* the information relevant to Resolution 66/20, paras. 2 and 10 (a) and (b), entitled "Objective information on military matters, including transparency of military expenditures", adopted on 2 December 2011 (Note verbale ODA/06-2013/OIMM dated 18 March 2013 refers).

The Office for Disarmament Affairs would be grateful if Member States could communicate to the Office, in hard copy and electronic version (word format), the relevant data and information, pursuant to the General Assembly resolutions indicated below, by *Wednesday, 15 May 2013,* so as to facilitate issuance of the reports in time for consideration by the General Assembly at its sixty-eighth session. Provision of the submission in Microsoft word format *is required.* Kindly send the electronic version to Ms. Charlotte Laut Hernandez (fmct@unog.ch).

Resolution 67/53, para. 2, entitled "Treaty banning the production of fissile material for nuclear weapons or other nuclear explosive devices", adopted on 3 December 2012 (Note verbale ODA/14-2013/FMCT dated 31 January 2013 refers).

2013 United Nations Regional Course in International Law, Bangkok, Thailand

Applications for the 2013 United Nations Regional Course in International Law, scheduled to be held in Bangkok, Thailand, from Monday, 4, to Friday, 29 November 2013, are now being accepted from candidates from Member States of the United Nations which are also members of the regional group of Asia-Pacific States (and from Kiribati). The deadline for applications is *Tuesday, 30 April 2013.*

The Regional Course will be conducted in English. For further information, including applications forms, please consult the Regional Course website at the following address: www.un.org/law/rcil/asia; or contact the Codification Division, Office of Legal Affairs (e-mail rcil-asia@un.org).

Credentials for forthcoming elections of members of human rights treaty bodies

With a view to facilitating the timely submission of credentials for all meetings of States parties convened to elect members of human rights treaty bodies, the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights wishes to give all States parties to the international human rights treaties advance notice that the following meetings of States parties will take place in 2013:

Second Meeting of States Parties to the International Convention for the Protection of All Persons from Enforced Disappearance (28 May 2013), to elect five members of the Committee on Enforced Disappearances (*click here* for general information);

Sixth Meeting of States Parties to the International Convention on the Protection of the Rights of All Migrant Workers and Members of their Families (30 May 2013), to elect seven members of the Committee on Migrant Workers (*click here* for general information); and

Twenty-fifth Meeting of States Parties to the International Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Racial Discrimination will meet (3 June 2013), to elect nine members of the Committee on the Elimination of Racial Discrimination (*click here* for general information).

The rules of procedure of each meeting require delegations to submit credentials to the Secretary-General *prior to the meeting.* Many delegations fail to provide such credentials in time and the Secretariat continues to receive obsolete credentials many months after the meetings have concluded. All States parties are kindly requested to put in place the necessary arrangements to ensure that credentials for each of these meetings are submitted *no later than one week before the meeting.*

Delegations are reminded that the credentials of representatives and the names of members of the delegation must be issued by the Head of State or Government or by the Minister for Foreign Affairs.

Original copies of credentials and names of delegates for all of the above mentioned meetings, duly signed by the Head of State or Government or by the Minister for Foreign Affairs, should be submitted to the New York Office of the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights (Attn: Ms. Sheilah Trotta (e-mail trotta@un.org; room S-1308)). For any clarifications on these elections, please contact Mr. James Turpin, OHCHR (e-mail turpin@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-3292).

Summary of official meetings

Monday, 22 April 2013

General Assembly

Committee on Information
Thirty-fifth session

1st meeting

Opening of the session [item 1]

The Chair opened the session.

Election of officers [item 2]

The Committee elected Mrs. Lyutha Al-Mughairy (Oman) as Chair, Mr. Juan Manuel González de Linares (Spain), Mr. Gabriel Orellana Zabalza (Guatemala) and Mr. Yegor Pyvovarov (Ukraine) as Vice-Chairs, and Mr. Chibaula D. Silwamba (Zambia) as Rapporteur.

Adoption of agenda and programme of work [item 3]

The Committee adopted the provisional agenda and programme of work, as contained in document A/AC.198/2013/1.

Admission of new members [item 4]

No new member was admitted.

Statement by the Chair [item 5]

The Chair made a statement.

Statement by the Under-Secretary-General for Communications and Public Information [item 6]

The Under-Secretary-General for Communications and Public Information made a statement.

General debate [item 7]

Consideration of reports submitted by the Secretary-General [item 8]

Statements were made by the representatives of Fiji (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China), Cuba (on behalf of the Community of Latin American and Caribbean States (CELAC)), Japan, Guatemala, Zambia, Senegal, Pakistan and Brazil. A statement was also made by the observer for the European Union.

Economic and Social Council

Special high-level meeting with the Bretton Woods institutions, the World Trade Organization and the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development

6th meeting

The President of the Economic and Social Council, His Excellency Néstor Osorio (Colombia), made an opening statement.

The Deputy Secretary-General of the United Nations, Mr. Jan Eliasson, addressed the Council.

High-level panel discussion on theme 1: "World economic situation and prospects in the wake of the world financial and economic crisis"

Statements were made by the His Excellency Josaia Voreque Bainimarama, Prime Minister of the Republic of Fiji (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China); His Excellency Djoomart Otorbaev, First Vice-Prime Minister of Kyrgyzstan; His Excellency Mauricio Cárdenas Santamaría, Minister of Finance and Public Credit of Colombia; His Excellency Olli Rehn, Vice-President of the European Commission and Commissioner for Economic and Monetary Affairs and the Euro, European Union; His Excellency Abdul-Rahman Dirar, State Minister and Minister of Finance and National Economy of the Sudan; Her Excellency Jutta Urpilainen, Minister of Finance of Finland; His Excellency Claus J. Raidl, President of the Austrian National Bank; His Excellency Yaseen Anwar, Governor of the State Bank of Pakistan; Her Excellency Gunilla Carlsson, Minister for International Development Cooperation of Sweden; His Excellency Seyed Shamseddin Hosseini, Minister of Economic Affairs and Finance of the Islamic Republic of Iran; His Excellency Luis Arce Catacora, Minister of Economy and Public Finance of the Plurinational State of Bolivia; and His Excellency Mark Espat, Special Envoy of the Prime Minister of Belize.

An interactive dialogue ensued, in which statements were made by the representative of the Sudan and the observers for Romania and Costa Rica.

A statement was made by the representative of the World Meteorological Organization.

Statements were also made by the representatives of the following entities from the business sector: Cross-Border Finance; Samuels Associates; and United States Council for International Business.

A statement was also made by the representative of Jubilee, a civil society organization.

Keynote address on "Introduction to the post-2015 development agenda from the World Bank perspective, with a special focus on financing for development"

The Special Envoy and Representative on Millennium Development Goals and Financial Development of the World Bank Group, Mr. Mahmoud Mohieldin, gave a keynote address.

The Council heard statements made by the following intergovernmental representatives of institutional stakeholders: His Excellency Mukhtar Tileuberdi (Kazakhstan), President, Trade and Development Board, United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD); Mr. Jorge Familiar Calderón, Vice-President and Corporate Secretary, World Bank Group, and Acting Secretary of the International Monetary Fund (IMF)/World Bank Development Committee; Ms. Patricia Alonso-Gamo, Deputy Secretary of the IMF and Acting Secretary of the International Monetary and Financial Committee; and Mr. Shishir Priyadarshi, Director, Development Division, World Trade Organization (WTO).

Organization of work

A statement was made by the President of the Council (Colombia).

7th meeting

The summary of the 7th meeting of the Economic and Social Council will appear in the next issue of the *Journal* (No. 2013/78).

Commission on Population and Development
Forty-sixth session

2nd meeting

Introductory statements

The Chair made a statement.

Introductory statements were made by the Secretary-General of the United Nations, the Executive Director of the United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA), the Assistant Secretary-General for Economic Development and the Director of the Population Division, Department for Economic and Social Affairs (DESA).

Election of officers [item 1]

The Commission elected Mrs. Marianne Odette Bibalou (Gabon) to serve as Vice-Chair of the forty-sixth session.

Designation of a Rapporteur

The Commission designated the Vice-Chair, Mrs. Marianne Odette Bibalou (Gabon), to serve as Rapporteur.

Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters [item 2]

Adoption of the agenda

The Commission adopted its provisional agenda for the session, as contained in document E/CN.9/2013/1.

The representative of Cuba made a statement.

Organization of work

Mr. Eduardo Jose Atienza De Vega (Philippines), Vice-Chair, was designated to chair the informal consultations of the Commission to discuss draft proposals.

The Commission was informed that the deadline for the submission of draft proposals would be Wednesday, 24 April 2013, at 18:00.

The Commission approved the organization of work, as contained in document E/CN.9/2013/L.1.

Report of the Bureau of the Commission on the intersessional meetings

The Chair introduced the report of the Bureau on its intersessional meetings, as contained in document E/CN.9/2013/3.

The Commission took note of the report of the Bureau.

Actions in follow up to the recommendations of the International Conference on Population and Development [item 3]

The Commission heard a keynote statement by Professor Graeme Hugo, Director of the Australian Population and Migration Research Centre, University of Adelaide, and engaged in an interactive dialogue, in which the representatives of Japan, Cuba, Pakistan, Bangladesh, Uganda, Jamaica and Indonesia, as well as by the observers for Qatar and Nigeria, participated.

3rd meeting

Actions in follow up to the recommendations of the International Conference on Population and Development [item 3]

The Commission moderated an interactive exchange of views with the participation of three migrant representatives and engaged in an interactive dialogue moderated by Mr. Kojo Nnamdi, in which the representatives of Pakistan, Norway, El Salvador and Israel, as well the observer for the Niger, participated.

The Commission heard introductory statements by the Chief of the Demographic Analysis Branch of the Population Division, Department of Economic and Social Affairs (DESA), the Director of the Technical Division, United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA), and the Chief of the Population and Development Branch of the Technical Division, UNFPA.

The Commission held its general discussion of item 3 and heard statements by the representatives of China, the Russian Federation and Luxembourg, as well as by the observers for Fiji (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China) and Mexico.

General debate on national experience in population matters: new trends in migration — demographic aspects [item 4]

General discussion

The Commission began its general discussion of item 4 and heard statements by the representatives of Cuba (on behalf of the Community of Latin American and Caribbean States (CELAC)), Gabon, China, the United States and Egypt.

A statement was made by the observer for Swaziland.

Summary of official meetings held away from Headquarters

Thursday, 18 April 2013

Economic and Social Council

United Nations Forum on Forests
Tenth session
Istanbul, Turkey

Parallel Working Groups

10th meeting

Working Group I

Assessment of progress made on the implementation of the non-legally binding instrument on all types of forests and towards the achievement of the four global objectives on forests [item 3]

Regional and subregional inputs [item 4]

Forests and economic development [item 5]

(a) Forest products and services

(b) National forest programmes and other sectoral policies and strategies

(c) Reducing risks and impacts of disasters

(d) Benefits of forests and trees to urban communities

Enhanced cooperation and policy and programme coordination, including the provision of further guidance to the Collaborative Partnership on Forests [item 8]

Following a statement by the Co-Chair (Zambia), statements were made by the representatives of Indonesia (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China) and Ireland (on behalf of the European Union).

The Co-Chair suspended the meeting.

The Co-Chair (Zambia) resumed the meeting.

Statements were made by the representatives of Indonesia and Kenya (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China), the United States, Switzerland, Ireland (on behalf of the European Union), New Zealand and Mexico.

The Co-Chair suspended the meeting.

The Co-Chair (Israel) resumed the meeting.

A statement was made by the representative of Switzerland, in his capacity as facilitator of the Contact Group assigned with specific paragraphs of the draft resolution of Working Group 1 under the agenda items assigned to it.

A statement was made by the Co-Chair (Zambia).

Following a statement by the Co-Chair (Israel), statements were made by the representatives of the United States, Japan, New Zealand and Dominica.

The Co-Chair (Israel) suspended the meeting.

The Co-Chair (Israel) resumed the meeting.

Statements were made by the representatives of Indonesia and Kenya (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China), Ireland (on behalf of the European Union), New Zealand, Turkey, the United States, Switzerland, Mexico, the Plurinational State of Bolivia and Japan (on behalf of the Montreal Process).

Organization of work

A statement was made by the Co-Chair (Israel).

10th meeting

Working Group 2

Emerging issues [item 6]

Means of implementation for sustainable forest management [item 9]

Forum Trust Fund [item 10]

A statement was made by the representative of the United States, in his capacity as facilitator of the Contact Group on the text relating to the means of implementation.

Statements were made by the representatives of the European Union, Switzerland, Ghana (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China), the United States, Japan, Canada, Cuba and New Zealand.

Organization of work

A statement was made by the Co-Chair (Croatia).

Plenary meeting

13th meeting

Assessment of progress made on the implementation of the non-legally binding instrument on all types of forests and towards the achievement of the four global objectives on forests [item 3]

Regional and subregional inputs [item 4]

Forests and economic development [item 5]

(a) Forest products and services

(b) National forest programmes and other sectoral policies and strategies

(c) Reducing risks and impacts of disasters

(d) Benefits of forests and trees to urban communities

Enhanced cooperation and policy and programme coordination, including the provision of further guidance to the Collaborative Partnership on Forests [item 8]

A statement was made by the Co-Chair (Israel) of Working Group 1, in which she briefed the Forum on the status of negotiations in the Working Group on the draft resolution under the agenda items assigned to it.

Emerging issues [item 6]

Means of implementation for sustainable forest management [item 9]

Forum Trust Fund [item 10]

A statement was made by the Co-Chair (Croatia) of Working Group 2, in which he briefed the Forum on the status of negotiations in the Working Group on the draft resolution under the agenda items assigned to it.

Organization of work

A statement was made by the Chair.

Friday, 19 April 2013

Economic and Social Council

United Nations Forum on Forests
Tenth session
Istanbul, Turkey

Plenary meeting

14th meeting

Assessment of progress made on the implementation of the non-legally binding instrument on all types of forests and towards the achievement of the four global objectives on forests [item 3]

Regional and subregional inputs [item 4]

Forests and economic development [item 5]

(a) Forest products and services

(b) National forest programmes and other sectoral policies and strategies

(c) Reducing risks and impacts of disasters

(d) Benefits of forests and trees to urban communities

Enhanced cooperation and policy and programme coordination, including the provision of further guidance to the Collaborative Partnership on Forests [item 8]

A statement was made by the Co-Chair (Zambia) of Working Group 1, in which she introduced the draft resolution of Working Group 1 under the agenda items assigned to it, which was contained in an informal paper, in English only.

The Forum was informed that the draft resolution contained no programme budget implications.

The Forum adopted the draft resolution.

Emerging issues [item 6]

Means of implementation for sustainable forest management [item 9]

Forum Trust Fund [item 10]

A statement was made by the Co-Chair (Croatia) of Working Group 2, in which he introduced the draft resolution of Working Group 2 under the agenda items assigned to it, which was contained in an informal paper, in English only.

The Forum was informed that the draft resolution contained no programme budget implications.

Before the adoption of the draft resolution, a statement was made by the representative of the United States, to which the Co-Chairs (Croatia and Malaysia) of Working Group 2 responded.

The Forum adopted the draft resolution, as orally revised.

Other matters [item 11]

The Secretary of the Forum read out a draft decision entitled "Expression of gratitude to the Government and people of Turkey for hosting the tenth session of the United Nations Forum on Forests" which was circulated in an informal paper, in English only.

The Forum adopted the draft decision.

Date and venue for the eleventh session of the Forum [item 12]

Upon the proposal of the Chair, the Forum adopted an oral decision to hold its eleventh session in 2015, the dates and venue to be determined by the Economic and Social Council at a later date.

Provisional agenda for the eleventh session of the Forum [item 13]

The Forum adopted the provisional agenda for its eleventh session, as contained in document E/CN.18/2013/L.1.

Adoption of the report of the Forum on its tenth session [item 14]

The Rapporteur (Malaysia) introduced the draft report on the tenth session of the Forum, as contained in document E/CN.18/2013/L.2.

The Forum adopted the draft report and entrusted the Rapporteur, in collaboration with the Forum Secretariat, to finalize it for submission to the forthcoming substantive session of the Economic and Social Council.

Conclusion of the session

Statements were made by the representatives of Ireland (on behalf of the European Union aad the acceding country Croatia), Fiji (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China) and the United States.

A statement was made by the Deputy Under-Secretary of the Ministry of Forestry and Water Affairs of Turkey, Mr. Mahir Küçük.

A statement was also made by the Director of the United Nations Forum on Forests Secretariat.

A statement was made by the Chair of the tenth session of the Forum.

The Chair declared closed the tenth session of the United Nations Forum on Forests.

United Nations Forum on Forests
Eleventh session
Istanbul, Turkey

1st meeting

The Chair of the tenth session of the Forum convened the first meeting of the eleventh session for the sole purpose of electing the members of its incoming Bureau.

The Forum elected the following officers to the Bureau of its eleventh session, by acclamation: His Excellency Macharia Kamau, Permanent Representative of Kenya to the United Nations (on behalf of the African States); Mr. Srećko Juričić, Head of the Forestry Division, Ministry of Agriculture of Croatia (on behalf of the Eastern European States); and Mr. Heikki Granholm of Finland (on behalf of the Western European and Other States).

The Chair suspended the eleventh session of the United Nations Forum on Forests.

Signatures, Ratifications, etc.

Arms Trade Treaty
(New York, 2 April 2013)

Opening for signature

The Arms Trade Treaty was adopted by the General Assembly in its resolution 67/234B of 2 April 2013.

In accordance with its article 21, the Treaty shall be open for signature at the United Nations Headquarters in New York by all States from Monday, 3 June 2013, until its entry into force.

Certified true copies of the Treaty, of which the Arabic, Chinese, English, French, Russian and Spanish texts are equally authentic, are under preparation. Electronic copies of the Treaty will be made available soon on the United Nations Treaty Collection website (*click here*).

The Secretary-General takes this opportunity to recall that, under established international practice, only Heads of State, Heads of Government or Ministers for Foreign Affairs are empowered, by virtue of their functions, to sign treaties on behalf of States without having to produce full powers to that effect. Other representatives wishing to sign the Treaty must be in possession of appropriate full powers emanating from one of these authorities.

The Secretary-General would be obliged if States wishing to sign the Treaty could, as necessary, provide the required full powers in advance to the Treaty Section, Office of Legal Affairs, United Nations Headquarters (fax 1 (212) 963-3693).

For more information on full powers, please refer to the Treaty Handbook on the United Nations Treaty Collection.

General information

Chairs of the regional groups

The following information regarding the chairmanship of the regional groups for the month of *April 2013* has been communicated to the Secretariat:

African States:

Democratic Republic of the Congo

His Excellency Ignace Gata Mavita wa Lufuta

Asia-Pacific States:

Samoa

His Excellency Ali'ioaiga Feturi Elisaia

Eastern European States:

The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia

His Excellency Pajo Avirovikj

Latin American and Caribbean States:

Saint Vincent and the Grenadines

His Excellency Camillo Gonsalves

Western European and other States:

France

His Excellency Gérard Araud

Security Council

Communications to the President of the Security Council

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Web of the presidency

The website of the presidency of the Security Council can be visited at www.un.org/en/sc/presidency/.

Recorded information

Recorded information about previously unscheduled meetings and consultations of the whole of the Security Council may be obtained by calling 1 (212) 963-8530, or by clicking on "Programme of work" on the website of the Security Council www.un.org/en/sc/.

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Delegations are kindly requested to make 40 copies for minimum distribution to Council members and relevant services, and 200 additional copies for general distribution in the Security Council Chamber.

Delegations wishing to make statements available for the media are kindly requested to deliver 50 copies to the Media Documents Centre (e-mail mdc@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-7166; room SA-1B12).

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Announcement for Member States on issuance of communications

Delegations requesting issuance of communications as documents of the General Assembly should ensure that they are addressed to the Secretary-General and signed by the Permanent Representative or Chargé d'affaires of the Permanent Mission to the United Nations. The communications should indicate the session of the General Assembly, and the number and title of the agenda item under which circulation is requested, using the agenda of the sixty-seventh session of the General Assembly contained in document A/67/251. Electronic versions in Microsoft Word should be also sent to gaab@un.org or dpu-dgacm@un.org, so as to facilitate the processing of communications. If versions in any other United Nations official languages are available, they should be included with a clear indication of the original language and/or which language versions are to be used for reference only.

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